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PETITION TO ACCEPT MATERIALS AS OF MAILING DATE

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicant respectfully petitions that the attached Request for Continued Examination be considered as timely filed on its mailing date of May 22, 2003.

The attached Request for Continued Examination was timely filed on May 22, 2003. As shown in the attached Exhibit, the Request was correctly mailed to "Mail Stop RCE" but was returned. Applicant believes he has correctly sent the Request and that it should be granted a filing date of May 22, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

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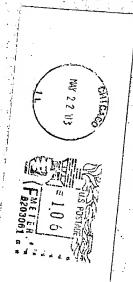


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